

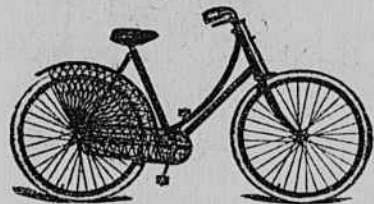
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HAT a man dreads most next to stepping on a tack is putting his feet in ill fitting shoes. No need to.

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MANY CATTLE LOST.
Denison, Tex., Jan. 27.—Prominent stock men of the Indian Territory and the Pan Handle report that the recent blizzard has resulted in the death of thousands of cattle on the range. For the first time in a number of years large water courses are frozen over.
Hibarger, the watchmaker. Office in Terry building.

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ROANOKE, VA., THURSDAY, JANUARY 28, 1897.

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ARE NOT DEAD.

GEN. GOMEZ IS CONFIDENT.

The Insurgent General Has Been Interviewed.

HE SAYS IF HE HAD THE AMMUNITION AND ARMS NECESSARY HE COULD CLEAR THE ISLAND OF SPANISH SOLDIERS WITHIN A MONTH—HE DECLARES THAT CUBANS WILL NEVER ACCEPT HOME RULE.

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 27.—The Evening Constitution published to-day an authentic interview with Gen. Maximo Gomez, in which he denies that he ever wrote a letter favoring home rule for Cuba. He opposes a compromise and says if he had 50,000 rifles and 1,000 cartridges for each he would drive Weyler off the island within a month. The general criticizes Mr. Cleveland for non-interference.

The interview was obtained by C. W. Hernandez, who was sent to Cuba by Rev. A. J. Diaz with a communication to have a personal interview with General Gomez. Dr. Diaz is the Baptist missionary who was released from Morro Castle last summer through the intervention of the United States. Mr. Hernandez wrote him from Jaruco under date of January 19.

He went from Atlanta direct to Havana. He left that city as a Cuban cowboy and two days later reached the camp of Gomez in the mountains of Las Escalas de Jaruco. Hernandez says: "Although it was not yet 6 o'clock in the morning the general was up, booted, wearing his large sombrero and a clean linen dress. The only arms he wore was a small Spanish revolver. Upon acquainting the general with the report that he had given his adhesion to the policy of home rule or autonomy for Cuba, the same as accorded to Canada by Great Britain, he said emphatically:

"No, sir, I have written no such letter nor given any assent to the policy. I am the general in command of the Cuban forces and my only business is to plan and fight battles in order to drive out the Spanish from the island to bring the war to a successful issue. I have been entrusted with this duty by the Cuban government through its proper agencies. If any action is ever taken in regard to the political settlement of Cuba it will have to be by President Cisneros and his cabinet, who alone are authorized to act. Besides this, there is an article in the Constitution which we have adopted providing that they even have to call the general assembly for such an important matter. My only duty is to fight, to keep the banner of Cuba flying and in no manner would I conflict with the officials of my government."

"But," I asked the General, "do you know of any movement even on the part of your government for such a purpose as this?" "Why, no," replied the General. "The Cuban people were never so determined as they are now. At no time since the beginning of the war has the army been in better condition or better drilled than at present. Our men are full of enthusiasm for the independence of Cuba and never in its history have they been so set against taking advantage of any temporary offer. The Cuban army and the Cuban people have started out for absolute independence and they will never lay down their arms until it has been accomplished."

"Calling his attention to the unfriendly policy of Mr. Cleveland, he smiled grimly and said: "When we rose up in arms against Spanish tyranny we did so trusting in God and in ourselves. We knew the enemy whom we had elected to meet, so that we did not measure the status of the giant or the power of the lion. Consequently we are here, armed and organized and ready to sacrifice our lives for Cuba."

"The General walked up and down as he spoke, his eye flashing; then he added: "I know I should be guarded in what I say. Mr. Cleveland is at the head of a great nation, for whose people I have the most profound respect, and he is well acquainted with the truth; but no man who was not of Anglo-Saxon descent could act so cold-bloodedly as he has done. I know all the people of the United States are in favor of our cause and am acquainted with the position of the United States Senators, although there had been some friction among them, for which I am sorry. "There is one thing, however, that I do not understand. How it is that Mr. Cleveland can be so complacent with a country that has insulted his flag as Weyler has done in Cuba, and as has been done in Spain; how Mr. Cleveland can rest content when he sees the Spanish government shedding the innocent blood of non-combatants is past my comprehension. If it was only for humanity sake, he ought to stop the barbarities in a friendly way."

"At this point the General dropped that point of conversation and replied to the question as to how long the war would continue. "If I could have 50,000 rifles and 1,000 cartridges for each of them I would clear Weyler and his troops from this land inside of thirty days. I have endeavored in my conduct of the war to observe the rules of humanity. I have refrained almost to the point of revolutions in my rank in making reparation for barbarity."

ARRESTED BY 'PHONE.

A New York Murderer Captured in St. Louis.

St. Louis, Jan. 27.—Arthur Palmer, of Mamaroneck, N. Y., was arrested by Captain O'Malley and Detective Gocking, of the St. Louis force, at the Planters' Hotel this evening. Palmer is a handsome, well dressed man, about 45 years old and has been at the hotel for a week registered as Paul Jones.

The arrest was made on a long-distance telephone message from Sheriff Johnson, of Westchester county, N. Y., who said that Palmer murdered his mother, brother and sister nine days ago and fled to parts unknown. The sheriff telephoned that Palmer had been traced to St. Louis and could be found at one of the hotels.

During his stay at the hotel Palmer kept closely to his room. When on the ground floor he would find a secluded corner in the library away from the crowd.

At 2:30 o'clock this evening Police Captain O'Malley and Detective Gocking located him at the Planters' Hotel. Manager Cunningham pointed him out sitting in a corner of the library.

When told that he was a prisoner Palmer collapsed and had to be helped to the patrol wagon. He was in such an apparently helpless condition that the officers did not press him with questions.

A few fine Mohair Robes left that we will sell for less than cost. Yost-Huff Co., Ltd.

TWO MEN KILLED.

Fatal Result of an Explosion in a Pennsylvania Mine.

Uniontown, Pa., Jan. 27.—About 5 o'clock last evening a gas explosion occurred in a mine owned by Shields Laird and the Hurst Coal Company at Smock's Station, on the Red Stone branch of the Pittsburgh, Virginia and Charleston railroad. Two men were blown to atoms and seven perhaps fatally injured and two less seriously. One of the miners drilled into a pocket of gas and as naked lights were used an explosion followed. The seven men most seriously hurt were terribly mangled, several having their eyes blown out, while others were so badly burned that great pieces of flesh dropped from their bones.

FORGERS INDICTED.

Railroads Have Been Swindled Out of Thousands of Dollars.

Chicago, Jan. 27.—The grand jury today indicted Wm. A. Burns and twelve others on a charge of victimizing the Baltimore and Ohio railroad out of thousands of dollars worth of transportation. Burns was the ringleader of the plot. The men are said to all have forged tickets.

The officials of the road who appeared before the grand jury had \$4,000 of the forged tickets with them and the plates from which they were printed. These tickets were sold to scalpers, it is said, and hundreds of them were used before the counterfeit was discovered.

The men engaged in the wholesale forgery are said to each have been employed around railroad offices and all are familiar with railroad matters. It is thought the operations of the men were not confined to forging tickets on the Baltimore and Ohio system, but that the forgeries extended to other roads.

FIVE MEN KILLED.

Trying to Avoid One Train They Get in the Way of Another.

New Haven, Conn., Jan. 27.—The Colonial express on the Consolidated road, eastbound, struck and killed five men at East Norwalk about 2 o'clock this evening. The men had been working on the track and stepped out of the way of one train directly in front of another.

At this point there are four tracks, and the train the men desired to avoid and the one which killed them were both moving in the same direction. The killed are: James Powers, section foreman; Daniel Gilbert, James Silk, John Shea, Salvatore Spina. The first four were instantly killed, but Spina lived a short time.

BUGGY ROBES.

We have the best selected stock of buggy robes in the city, which we are selling at greatly reduced prices. Come and see us. Farmers' Supply Company, phone 15, Market Square.

BANK CASHIER SUICIDES.

Leigh, Neb., Jan. 27.—Last night Frank J. Lespa, cashier of the Clarkson State Bank, at Clarkson, Neb., committed suicide. He had recently sold an interest which he held in the bank and no reason for his act can be assigned.

PILIBUSTERS RELEASED.

Jacksonville, Fla., Jan. 27.—The steamers Three Friends and Dauntless, which have been in custody of the United States marshal for several weeks, were released on bond to-day by order of the United States court. The bond of the Dauntless was \$10,000 and that of the Three Friends \$5,000. The Dauntless was already under bond of \$7,500 in two cases and the Three Friends was under bond of \$14,000 in two cases.

LEFT AT OUR STORE ABOUT THIRTY DAYS AGO, TWO CHILDREN'S OVERCOATS. OWNER WILL PLEASE CALL AND GET THEM.

MASSIE'S PHARMACY.

SNOW WAS GENERAL.

Richmond, Jan. 27.—Four inches of snow fell here to-day. Reports from all sections of the State are that snow is pretty general. Staunton reports four inches, Fredericksburg five inches, Blacksburg, five, Woodstock three inches.

PINE, OAK AND HICKORY WOOD at 219 Salem avenue. W. K. ANDREWS & CO.

DON'T LIKE THE WORDING.

It Looks Like the Treaty Will Have to be Amended.

THE SENATE COMMITTEE RESUMES CONSIDERATION OF THE ARBITRATION TREATY—MUCH DISSATISFACTION EXPRESSED OVER THE SUGGESTION OF KING OSCAR AS FINAL UMPIRE—AN AMERICAN UMPIRE IS DESIRED.

Washington, Jan. 27.—The Senate committee on foreign relations to-day considered the treaty of arbitration without reaching a conclusion. The general drift of the discussion was that the instrument must be amended so as to eliminate any possible inclusion of questions concerning the domestic or foreign policy of either of the contracting parties. It is believed by some that a conclusion will be reached at a special meeting on Saturday and that the treaty will be reported to the Senate Monday.

While the treaty may be made satisfactory by one or two amendments, each member of committee has his own idea as to the exact language to be employed in so doing. The ardent friends of the Nicaragua canal insist that, in some way, that question be lifted bodily from the treaty and guarded against.

The fear that Great Britain may be seeking a pretext to interfere not only in our foreign policy but in domestic affairs as well leads others to urge an additional provision that no questions affecting either the domestic or foreign policy of the contracting parties shall be brought within the provisions of the general treaty. This, it is contended, will also carefully guard the Monroe doctrine without referring to it in name.

The designation in the treaty of the king of Norway and Sweden as umpire is causing the committee much concern, and looking up the diplomatic history of this northern country the committee has discovered that a compact exists between Great Britain and France on the one hand and Norway and Sweden on the other, in which they all agree to stand by the weaker nation.

The designation of King Oscar will in all probability be eliminated, and an additional amendment requiring the selection of an American umpire for the American side and an European umpire when the dispute is transferred to the eastern hemisphere.

It is thought that when the treaty is brought to the Senate a motion to discuss it in open session will carry and it will be good for the country to have this public debate.

The treaty between Sweden and Norway on the one hand and Great Britain and France on the other, which it is claimed forms such a close alliance between the two governments as to preclude the idea of fairness, was ratified by the two governments in 1855. It binds Great Britain and France to aid Sweden with their military force, if necessary, in repelling Russian aggression. While there is an almost universal sentiment in the Senate in regard to the principle of arbitration, in no such form, it is believed, can the treaty be ratified. The discussion in the Senate whether in secret or in the presence of the public, promises to be somewhat protracted.

Senators on the committee who have given the treaty careful consideration will be called upon to expound its provisions and throw all possible light upon the subject. It has been the custom in the past for the Senate to be guided entirely by the report of its committee in acting upon the treaty, but in this case there appears to be a determination on the part of men who have given but little attention to foreign questions to know thoroughly what they are doing before they cast their vote for ratification or rejection of the general treaty of arbitration.

A fine sleigh cheap at Yost-Huff Co's.

TOO DRUNK TO NAVIGATE.

Mobile, Ala., Jan. 27.—Capt. John Campbell, master of the British bark British American, now loading lumber in this port, was frozen to death last night about two miles from the city. He had been drinking and started for his vessel in company with the carpenter. He was too drunk to navigate and the carpenter left him and went for assistance from the vessel two miles away, and when he returned with assistance they found the captain frozen stiff from exposure. He was buried here to-day.

'Phone 15, Farmers' Supply Company, Market Square, for Pocahontas, nut or lump; Russell Creek, nut or lump; Banner, nut or lump; Brush Mountain, nut or lump; Norton, nut or lump; Anthracite, nut or stove.

TEMPORARY RECEIVER.

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 27.—W. B. Smith, of Atlanta, was to-day appointed temporary receiver for the Georgia Southern Building and Loan Association, of Knoxville, Tenn. The assets of the company are said to be \$3,000,000 in notes and mortgages and \$500,000 in real estate. Borrowers owe the association \$300,000 dues in arrears. The petition for the receiver was filed by S. H. Johnson, a stockholder.

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WORKING FOR HANNA.

Sherman Has Written a Letter in His Behalf.

Columbus, O., Jan. 27.—Governor Bushnell admitted to night that it was true that Senator Sherman has written a letter to him in regard to his proposed resignation from the Senate and the filling of the vacancy. He said the letter was a private one and he had regarded it as confidential. He would still do so, though he might ultimately give it to the public. No one but himself had seen it. He would say, however, that every one would guess that the Senator told him that he would probably soon resign and he thought that it would be best for the party and for the State and country if Mr. Hanna would be appointed as his successor.

It is generally believed that the governor will not comply with Senator Sherman's request and his manner of speaking seemed to corroborate this view of it.

A RINGING SPEECH

By Mr. Bryan Before the Texas Legislature Denouncing the Trusts.

Austin, Tex., Jan. 27.—Hon. Wm. J. Bryan visited the Texas legislature this morning and all business was suspended while he made the two houses a ringing speech.

He took occasion to say that he noted with pride that Texas was in the lead with laws to regulate corporations that were doing the public much harm.

He stated that in his State and others during the last twelve months corporations had stepped out of their chartered rights and into politics and he favored the enactment of a law prohibiting any corporation from contributing money to any political campaign fund.

STRIKE AT PATERSON.

Paterson, N. J., Jan. 27.—Three hundred and fifty hands employed in the Phoenix silk works failed to go to work this morning. The Golden Rod Mill men were the first to strike. The employers conceded to their demand by increasing their wages twenty per cent. The Golden Rod workmen winning their strike had led the employees in all other factories to believe that they too can get their wages restored to last fall's rate.

RUBBER EMPLOYEES STRIKE.

Bridgeport, Conn., Jan. 27.—Three hundred employees of the rubber works laid down their tools and left the factory. This was due to an order from shop union officials. John McNamara refused to pay for a piece of work damaged by him and was discharged. The union committee investigated the case and decided that McNamara was not to blame. Superintendent Stone refused to remit the fine and the strike was ordered.

COURT OF APPEALS.

Richmond, Jan. 27.—Following are the decisions of the supreme court:

Union Bank, of Richmond, vs. city of Richmond; argued by Chas. U. Williams and Chas. V. Meredith and submitted.

Rose, administratrix, vs. Hughes; argued by Maryus Jones for appellant.

The next cases to be argued are the Baltimore Steam Packet Company vs. Williams, No. 58; New York, Philadelphia and Wilmington Railroad Company vs. Williams, and Cheatham vs. Gover, No. 59.

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MRS. HARRIS DIVORCED.

Washington, Jan. 27.—Judge Cox to-day granted a divorce to Sallie A. Harris from Chas. H. Harris, son of Senator Harris, of Tennessee. The suit was filed on September 26 last. The court granted the custody of the child, a son, to his mother and also ordered the defendant to pay Mrs. Harris alimony in the sum of \$75 per month. Desertion is said to be the charge.

IN THE FRONT RANK.

Messrs. Behr, Bros. & Co. are to-day right in the front rank of the piano trade, and we can conscientiously say that they fully deserve to be there.—American Musician.

GAGE MAY BE SECRETARY.

Canton, O., Jan. 27.—The complex political problem surrounding the selection of Major McKinley's Cabinet is now believed to be pretty well solved and Lyman J. Gage, of Chicago, as Secretary of the Treasury is regarded as the key to the situation and the almost certain choice of the President-elect. This moral certainty is strengthened by the fact that the President of the First National Bank of Chicago is now on his way to Canton in response to the telegraphic request of the Major to visit him.

BRUSH MOUNTAIN COAL.

We have just received a nice lot of Brush Mountain Coal, both nut and lump. The best we have seen this winter. An excellent substitute for Anthracite. Farmers' Supply Company, phone 15, yard phone 42 D.

STRICKEN WITH APOPLEXY.

Richmond, Jan. 27.—W. B. Bishop, one of the proprietors of the famous Spotswood Hotel and known throughout the country as a manager of summer resorts, was stricken with apoplexy this morning at the home of his son in law, in Manchester, and the worse is feared.

E. Hibarger, specialist on fine and complicated watches.

JEFFERSONIAN DEMOCRACY.

Senator Allen Chaffs Mr. Hill and Mr. Gray.

HE TELLS THE DELAWARE SENATOR THAT HE IS A GOOD REPUBLICAN, WHO, IN RETURN SAYS MR. ALLEN IS A MELANCHOLY EXAMPLE OF POPULISTIC NOTIONS—A NEW IMMIGRATION BILL PRESENTED IN THE HOUSE.

Washington, Jan. 27.—The military appropriation bill was passed in the Senate to-day after a long and somewhat amusing controversy on an amendment providing for the payment of expenses of attendance of West Point cadets at the inauguration parade. The proposition was made the text by Mr. Allen, of Nebraska, of a dissertation on the virtues of old Jeffersonian Democracy and simplicity and the "dry rot" which is "destroying the American republic as it did the Roman Empire," and of an attack on Mr. Gray, of Delaware, for inconsistency in attending Democratic caucuses and claiming to be a Democrat, while "to all intents and purposes he had been a Republican three or four years."

And there was another distinguished Senator, Mr. Allen added, pointing to the seat of Mr. Hill, of New York, who said that he too was a Democrat.

These remarks made with all the seriousness characteristic of the Nebraska senator were received with smiles by the two Senators alluded to and by the whole Senate. Mr. Gray contented himself by saying that Mr. Allen was a melancholy example of the effect of Populistic notions, and he would probably prefer to have a contingent of Cossack's army attend the inauguration, and Mr. Allen admitted that this would be a little more relevant.

Finally the amendment was rejected and the bill was passed. It appropriates \$479,572; or \$5,000 more than the bill as it passed the House. This \$5,000 is for the purchase of one Maxim semi-automatic five-pounder quick-firing gun.

The memorial of Henry A. Dupont, of Delaware, in which he asserts his claim to a seat in the Senate, and which was defeated last session through a miscount, or through a mistake about pairs, was presented by Mr. Chandler, and was referred to the committee on privileges and elections.

The Nicaraguan bill was taken up. It gave rise to quite a spirited debate, in the course of which Mr. Sherman suggested that, although he would vote for the bill in any form presented, it would be better to let it lie over until next session, and intimated that he would favor the negotiation of a new treaty on the lines of the Freylinghuysen treaty. A motion to recommit the bill was made by Mr. Vilas and was pending when the Senate, at 4:45, adjourned till to-morrow.

IN THE HOUSE.

By a vote of 131 to 118 the House to-day agreed to the conference report on the immigration bill, which embodied substantially a new measure, being different in some respects from either the Senate or House bill.

Chairman Bartholdi refused to sign the report recommending the bill. The principal objection to the bill was the clause requiring immigrants to read and write "the language of their native or resident country." This, it was pointed out, could prevent several classes of people in Europe and in Central America and Mexico from gaining admission to the United States, because they do not speak either of the languages to which the clause limits them. It was admitted that the language was intended to prevent the coming of a great body of Russian Jews.

The vote was taken on the adoption of the conference report and on a division it was agreed to—11 to 105.

Mr. Bartholdi demanded "the yeas and nays, which resulted—yeas, 131; nays, 117."

The usual motion to reconsider and to lay that motion on the table having been made by Mr. Danford and agreed to, the House at 4:45 adjourned till to-morrow.

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RESTING EASILY.

Washington, Jan. 27.—Senator George is reported as resting easily to night. There is no change in his condition.

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